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**Thirty-eighth COVID-19-Related Fatality Reported;
GBHWC Crisis Hotline Available 24/7**

The Joint Information Center was notified that Guam's thirty-eighth COVID-19-related fatality occurred at the Guam Memorial Hospital (GMH) at approximately 6:55 a.m. The patient was a 76-year-old female with underlying health conditions that were compounded by COVID-19. She was transferred to GMH on September 18 after testing positive for SARS-CoV-2 at Guam Regional Medical City (GRMC).

"As the dawn broke and many of us were starting our day, we lost our 38th individual to COVID-19. As an island still in mourning, her passing is a great loss to our community. To those she cherished, Jeff, Lt. Governor Josh, and I send our condolences and our collective hearts are heavy with sympathy," said Governor Lou Leon Guerrero. "To the people of Guam, this should be a time for unity, not division. We all have a role in stopping this virus and preventing even more deaths. Our frontliners need our help. Wear your masks, social distance, and stay home—these simple actions can make a big difference."

For information on COVID-19 cases, visit the COVID-19 Dashboard and Situation Report at <http://dphss.guam.gov/covid-19/>. The COVID-19 Dashboard is updated on business days.

GBHWC Crisis Hotline Available 24/7

The Guam Behavioral Health and Wellness Center (GBHWC) has a Crisis Hotline that is available 24/7 at **(671) 647-8833/4**. For those feeling anxious, stressed, overwhelmed or are needing to talk to someone, GBHWC has experienced providers available and ready to assist the community with any heightened stress and anxiety experienced as a result of COVID-19.

For the latest information on COVID-19, visit dphss.guam.gov or guamrecovery.com. For inquiries on COVID-19, contact 311 through a local number, or call the Joint Information Center at (671) 478-0208/09/10.

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